

# Gradus

F. Baker,<sup>1</sup><sup>★</sup> and A. J. Young<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>*H. H. Wills Physics Laboratory, Tyndall Avenue, Bristol BS8 1TL, UK*

Accepted XXX. Received YYY; in original form ZZZ

## ABSTRACT

We introduce Gradus, an open-source...

**Key words:** keyword1 – keyword2 – keyword3

## 1 INTRODUCTION

In the era of quantitative, precision observational tests of General Relativity in the strong field regime it is necessary to have a fast and flexible method to compute the observational properties of accreting black hole systems. We have developed an open-source integrator Gradus<sup>1</sup> for this purpose. In the remainder of the paper we describe how the software works, comparing with previous work in the literature, and outlining the new capabilities of Gradus.

Transfer functions (Cunningham 1975)

## 2 DESCRIPTION OF GRADUS

## 3 TEST PROBLEMS

## 4 USING GRADUS

## 5 CONCLUSIONS

We encourage the community to contact us with interesting problems that may be tackled using Gradus as we are happy to assist with new applications of the code.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We thank Cosimo Bambi and Jiachen Jiang for sharing their software for testing purposes.

## DATA AVAILABILITY

## REFERENCES

Cunningham C. T., 1975, *ApJ*, 202, 788

This paper has been typeset from a T<sub>E</sub>X/L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X file prepared by the author.

<sup>★</sup> E-mail: Fergus.Baker@bristol.ac.uk (FB)

<sup>1</sup> Available as an open-source project on GitHub at <https://github.com/astro-group-bristol/Gradus.jl>.